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U.S., Soviet Spy-Planting Called Mutual

Young Says CIA
Places Agents On
Embassy Staffs

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—

If you assume that Russia has spies here and that the United States has spies in its diplomatic stations abroad, you're right, according to Senator Young.

The Ohio Democrat, in a speech to the Senate yesterday about a consular treaty with the Soviet Union, said he would be "shocked" if he learned that the United States didn't have intelligence agents among its diplomatic representatives in Russia.

"Unfortunately, this is a fact of life in the cold war," he said, "and we can play the game as well as they."

Embassy Spies

"Ours is an open society. It is a fact that in all of our embassies overseas we have CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) operatives, or spies, who are on the embassy staffs."

"Of course, the Soviet embassy in Washington also is staffed with spies who are listed as officials of the embassy. I've personally talked with some of our CIA operatives in our embassies in foreign countries and know the facts."

Senator Young said that during a visit to Central America, he was told by a United States ambassador regretfully that the senator could have the use of only a rather old automobile.

Car Is Tip-Off

"He said that a new clerk, or attache, on his staff, had just come from the United States—he was at a very low echelon in his embassy staff—and unfortunately this clerk brought with him the latest model Chrysler automobile, and his blond secretary brought with her the latest model Chevrolet," Senator Young related.

"He said, of course, the Russians and Chinese are not stupid. They knew immediately that he was a CIA agent instead of an embassy clerk, in which category he was listed."

Mr. Young said a treaty with Russia to provide for mutual opening of additional consulates would be a good thing for American tourists and businessmen and that "the danger of a few more Russian agents posing as diplomats is infinitesimal compared to the benefits of such a treaty."